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COMMITTEE REPORT

YES: 6 NO: 5

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Labor and Employment, to which was referred Senate Bill 400, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

- 1 Delete the title and insert the following:
- 2 A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning
- 3 workforce development and to make an appropriation.
- 4 Page 1, delete lines 1 through 17.
- 5 Delete pages 2 through 6.
- 6 Page 7, delete lines 1 through 12.
- Page 7, line 13, after "SECTION" delete "4." and insert "1.".
- 8 Page 7, delete lines 24 through 25.
- 9 Page 7, line 26, delete "5." and insert "4.".
- Page 7, delete lines 38 through 42, begin a new paragraph and
- 11 insert:"
- 12 Sec. 5. (a) If the department determines that an individual is
- eligible for unemployment insurance benefits under IC 22-4, the
- individual may participate in the project.
- 15 (b) An individual who participates in the project may
- participate in the skill remediation components for each skill area

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in which the individual's skill levels are deficient, as determined by the work keys skills assessment.

- (c) An individual who applies for unemployment insurance and is found to be eligible for unemployment insurance benefits may participate in a work keys skills assessment. The individual may participate in a skill remediation component for each occupational area in which the individual's skill levels are deficient, as determined by the work keys skills assessment.
- Sec. 6. Each regional workforce board, together with local elected officials, shall develop a plan of short term training options, not to exceed six (6) weeks in length, and placement assistance to provide to individuals who participate in the project. To the extent possible, a regional workforce board shall use existing remediation software and adult education programs for skill remediation under this chapter.
- Sec. 7. (a) For purposes of this section, an individual is job attached if the individual:
 - (1) expects to be recalled to a job within twelve (12) weeks after becoming separated from employment; and
 - (2) is not required to contact other employers or register for work until after the expiration of twelve (12) weeks;
- as confirmed by the department with the individual's employer.
- **(b) An individual who is:**

- (1) job attached; and
- (2) temporarily laid off;
- 26 may participate in the project.
 - Sec. 8. (a) In order to further the project, the department may develop a policy to provide a uniform incentive of up to five hundred dollars (\$500) per individual for participation in the project.
 - (b) The department may determine in the policy whether completion of the project is necessary to receive the incentive.
 - (c) Each year, the department shall pay the incentives set forth in subsection (a) until five million dollars (\$5,000,000) has been paid during that year.
- (d) An individual who is job attached may receive the incentive
 the same as any other individual.
- 38 Sec. 9. There is annually appropriated to the department from

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| 1 | the state general fund an amount sufficient to implement the duties |
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| 2 | and obligations of the department under this chapter. |
| 3 | Sec. 10. (a) Not later than June 1 of each year, each regional |
| 4 | workforce board shall report to the department in an electronic |
| 5 | format on the status of the regional workforce board's programs |
| 6 | under this chapter. |
| 7 | (b) Not later than July 1 of each year, the department shall |
| 8 | compile the reports submitted under subsection (a) and submit the |
| 9 | compilation in an electronic format under IC 5-14-6 to the general |
| 10 | assembly. |
| 11 | Sec. 11. The department may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to |
| 12 | fulfill its duties and obligations under this chapter.". |
| 13 | Delete pages 8 through 10. |
| | (Reference is to SB 400 as reprinted February 26, 2007.) |
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| and when so amended that said bill do pass. | |

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